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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

DYNAMIC MEASUREMENT OF COMMUNICATION CHANNEL CHARACTERISTICS USING DIRECT SEQUENCE SPREAD SPECTRUM (DSSS) SYSTEMS, METHODS AND PROGRAM PRODUCTS

the specification of which is identified by the attorney (IBM) Docket Number appearing above.

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Prior Foreign Application(s)

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Priority Claimed

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- (g) comparison apparatus which compares the correlation value of the PN code to the threshold value; and
- (h) analysis apparatus which determines if the correlation variable is above or below the threshold; where a correlation value below the threshold is indicative of unreliable transmission through the channel and a correlator value above the threshold is indicative or reliable transmission through the channel.
- 17. A medium, executable on a computer system for dynamic measurement of a communication channel using Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) communication system, comprising:
 - (a) program instructions generating a Pseudo Noise (PN) code where $(\gamma_0 = 1/T)$;
 - (b) program instructions modulating a carrier (cos. $2\Sigma \gamma_c$) with the PN code;
- (c) program instructions providing the PN coded data signal [s (t)] to a correlator via a communication channel that includes a channel noise signal for determining transmission characteristics of the channel; and
- 9 (d) program instructions determining a correlator value for extracting the PN code 10 from the coded data signal, where the correlator value is the wanted exact measure of the loss of 11 the channel under test.